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NETWORK ORGANIZING TRAINING HELD AT THE WINPISINGER CENTER

IAM members from across the U.S. and Canada met with BWI-affiliated unions from Russia, Sweden and Slovakia at the IAM's Winpisinger Education Center on May 20-24, 2018 to share global Network Organizing ideas. As the IAM is actively organizing at IKEA, BWI affiliated GS Facket's Tony Berrgren opened the training with a detailed overview of IKEA's structure. Winpisinger Center Assistant Director Mary McHugh's presentations centered on our new Strategic Organizing Program and old organizing approaches that have been time tested and still work today. Addressing Communications in Organizing were Assistant Director Jonathan Battaglia and Communications Rep Delane Adams. They had a lot to share about using social media and all traditional media outlets to drive our IAM brand home or to get any union's message across when working on campaigns.

This training session had a unique flavor, while our international guests were able to share stories that were specific to their respective country's working conditions, all participants were able to offer new ideas and solutions with each other. A Q & A session was opened to several other classes that were attending other IAM Programs at The Center. Our members took an interest in asking our international guests how their unions work in other countries.

The next steps to our global Network Organizing will be to establish an official IKEA Global Network Committee, Committee Secretariat and a system for global communications in order to be able to support each other in all IKEA Organizing Campaigns—in real time, globally. Another meeting using Sykpe or other universal platforms will be decided upon and soon to follow.

2018 SOUTHERN PULP & PAPER CONFERENCE

This year's Southern Pulp & Paper Conference was held in Monroe, LA on May 17-18, 2018. Nine Local Lodge delegates gave reports representing Krayton, IP, GP, WestRock and Graphics Packaging. A resolution was adopted explaining common concerns about continually being 'strong-armed' into accepting terms of Framework/Master Agreements that have been driven by the USW and effect wages, benefits, pension contributions and all other economic items without having any input in negotiating the terms. All options should be explored and a determination shall come from International President Martinez and the Executive Council.



Pictured above—LL 1098 PR and MSP&P Council PR Mike Mauldin swears in new Council Officers: LL 40—MSP&P Sentinel/MNPL DIR Mike Kimmell, LL 40 PR—MSP&P VP Jerome Dyal and Retired DL112 DBR—MSP&P ST Steve Hernandez

Federal Forest Restoration Program and Collaborative Grants

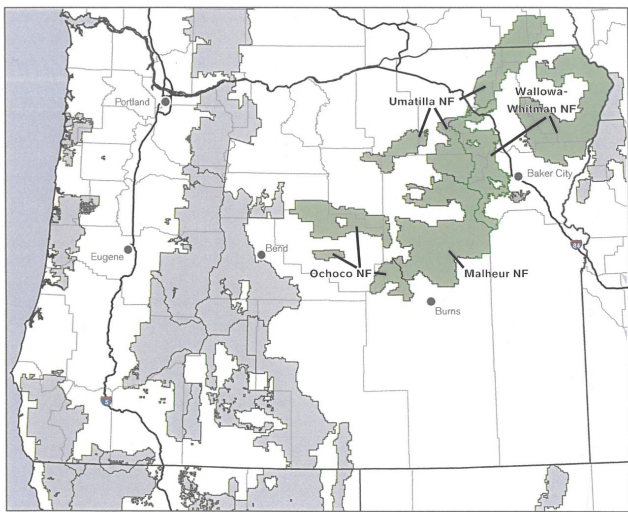


In Oregon, approximately 60% of the State’s 30 million acres of forestlands are publicly owned, with the majority managed by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS). Scientists, managers, state and local leadership and all stakeholders realize the need to actively restore U.S. federal forests.

The USFS and the State of Oregon have committed substantial efforts and resources to support restoration in the 11 national forests in Oregon. This collaboration is The Federal Forest Restoration Program (FFRP) and now focuses on the federal forests east of the Cascade Mountains, where the need is greatest for restoration and for this contribution to the economic health of rural communities that traditionally depend on forests for their livelihoods.

During the 2015-2017 biennium, approximately \$4.74 million were made available across the state. The FFRP works through three main strategies to increase the pace, scale, and quality of forest restoration: (1) provide targeted investments through State-Federal Implementation Partnership (SFIP); (2) support local forest collaboratives through competitively awarded Collaborative Capacity Grants (CCGs); and (3) provide Technical Assistance and Science Support (TASS) to collaboratives.

Eastern Oregon National Forests and the Counties Impacted by Forest Restoration



National Forest	County
Deschutes	Crook, Deschutes, Klamath
Fremont-Winema	Klamath, Lake
Malheur	Baker, Crook, Grant, Harney
Ochoco	Crook, Deschutes, Jefferson, Wheeler
Umatilla	Grant, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa
Wallowa-Whitman	Baker, Union, Wallowa

For more information see:

http://www.sustainablenorthwest.org/uploads/general/Katie_Morrison.pdf

In 2015, the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) contracted with the Ecosystem Workforce Program (EWP) at the University of Oregon to design and conduct monitoring work in association with the FFRP. Along with coordinated restoration activities, the partners recognize that monitoring changes in forest landscapes is an essential component of any restoration strategy.

Maintaining progress and making Grant money available is helping Oregon move toward their restoration goals. This will continue to require active fuel reduction activities, watershed health treatments, commercial timber harvest and sales, restoration-related service contracts, creating high-quality jobs through restoration and bolstering the economic impacts of all treatments—directly and indirectly.



CELEBRATING OUR FUTURE WOODWORKER LEADERSHIP

Since we last reported in August 2017, Woodworker Local Lodge Stewards have participated in a variety of courses at the Winpisinger Center. Their continued support and the knowledge and experience gained in these classes will help to prepare them in their careers and for any challenges in their roles as labor leaders. We thank you for your efforts—and the good work that you do!

LEADERSHIP I

First Name	Last Name	Title	Territory	DL	LL
Chad	Anderson	Steward	Midwest	W3	1502
Stephenie	Eubanks	Steward	Western	W24	88
Michael	Fitzgerald	Chief Steward	Midwest	W3	W384
Colby	Gates	Steward	Western	160	297
James	Hudson	Steward	Southern	W2	463
Keith	Ingalsbe	Steward	Western	W24	1432
Richard	Miklian	Steward	Western	160	297
Robert	Miller	Steward	Eastern	60	475
Elijah	Moorehead	Steward	Southern	W2	W484
Dennis	Moses	Chief Steward	Southern	W2	260
Luis	Pereira	Chief Steward	Canadian	78	1922
Mario	Ramirez	Steward	Eastern	15	447
Kenneth	Smith	Steward	Eastern	98	2367
Anthony	Thompson	Steward	Midwest	W3	621
Jennifer	Warner	Steward	Midwest	W3	W384

LEADERSHIP II

Shane	Gamez	Steward	Midwest	8	49
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ADVANCED LEADERSHIP

Shirley	Sedra	Steward	Western	W24	63
David	Winter	Steward	Western	W24	63

ORGANIZING II PROGRAM

Herman	Buren	Chief Steward	Western	W24	1432
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STRATEGIC APPROACH TO ORGANIZING

Timothy	Shannon	Chief Steward	Midwest	6	1426
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TRAIN-THE-TRAINER

Paul	Nance	Steward	Midwest	W24	63
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IAM RESPONDS TO PLANS AT VOITH PAPER FABRICS-WAYCROSS

IAM District Lodge 131 currently represents 95 workers at Voith Paper Fabrics—a woven drier felt plant in Waycross, Georgia. During recent bargaining it was disclosed that the Company plans to move 80% of our members' work to a facility in Ipoh, Malaysia and pay these workers \$1.90 per hour. DL 131 PR/DBR William Barnwell feels that, "while globalization will remain challenging to all of our members, we would hope the workers in Malaysia would benefit from protections a union can provide, just as our members had while doing the same work." Brother Barnwell shared this situation and his sentiment with our global affiliate, BWI, who support working people around the world.

On behalf of our members whose jobs will be affected and in response to DBR Barnwell's request, the Georgia Department of Economic Development has met with our members at the plant to educate them about training opportunities and available resources. GLR Rick Mickschl and Barnwell are also looking into Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) applications and programs that may be available to these workers which would provide federal aid and extended unemployment benefits.

BIO-CORNER

Peter F. Taylor is currently President of the Georgia State Council of Machinists. He began working at Southern Bell in 1969 until he moved to Graphics Packaging paper mill in 1980 and became a Machinist member of Local Lodge 1034. He is that local lodge's Secretary-Treasurer and has been since 1997. Brother Taylor has held a number of IAM positions for many years including, District Lodge 131 Delegate since 1998, DL 131 Sentinel beginning in 2016, Macon Central Labor Council President since 2012 and was the Georgia State Council of Machinists Executive Vice President since 2013 until he was elected President—another position he currently serves in today.

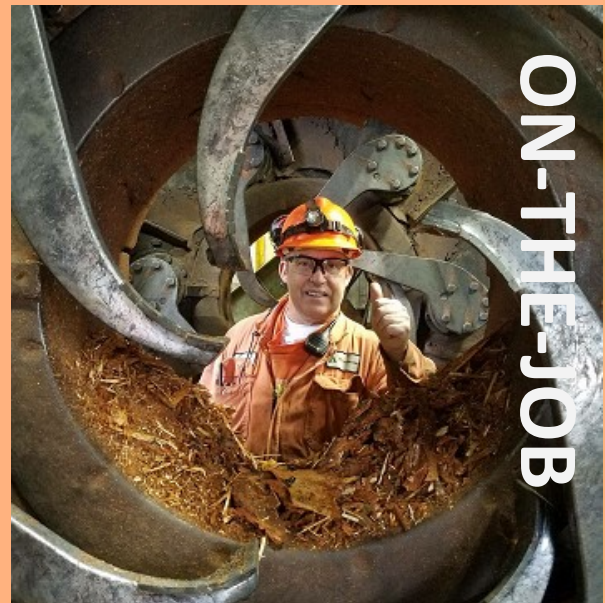
Brother Taylor studied Business Administration at Macon State College and was President of his graduation class. He is a member of the Masonic Order and he and his wife Carolyn Robinson-Taylor, have 2 sons and 2 grandsons.

After a long and distinguished union career, we understand that Brother Taylor plans to enjoy a well-earned retirement this year!

Pictured below: Brother Peter F. Taylor speaks at the 2016 IAM Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago.



WOODWORKERS



Pictured here:

Local Lodge W130 member Albert Stigall working as an "Oilier" at Weyerhaeuser's Raymond Sawmill

Albert Stigall began at Weyerhaeuser in 1988 as a Choker Setter and then Hook Tender until PeEll merged with the Raymond Tree Farm in 1996. His is one of 5 Stigall family members at the Raymond Sawmill today.

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